

# The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Monday, June 17, 1728.

From the Flying Post, June 8.

Copenhagen, June 1.

**T**HE two Fregats equipping here are design'd to cruize against the Pyrates during the Summer. The King having resolved to put his Fleet in a good Condition, and to augment considerably the Number of his Ships of War, has ordered the Deputies of the general Commission of the Marine, to visit exactly all the Ships, and to build a certain Number every Year, for which End his Majesty has assigned the necessary Funds.

*Petersburg, May 22.* The Labour in equipping the Ships of War is much slackned; and 'tis assured only a small Squadron will put to Sea, to exercise the Seamen.

From the Post Boy June, 8.

*London, June 8.* Thursday last a Chapter of the most honourable Order of the Bath was held in King Henry VII's Chapel, or Westminster Abbey, when the Duke of Richmond and the Rt. Hon. Sir Robert Walpole, surrendered the Badges of that Order, with the Ceremonies observed on that Occasion; they being some time since made Knights Companions of the Most Noble Order of the Garter.

From the Flying Post, June 8.

*Hamburg, June 8.* The King of Prussia is so highly provoked at a certain Pamphlet privately handed about, that he has ordered the Court's Fiscal to make the strictest inquiry in order to discover the Author thereof; for which Purpose, several suspected Letters have been opened in divers Post-offices. The said Pamphlet advances, among other Things, That in the last interview at Dresden, it was agreed, That the King of Prussia should have all Polish Prussia, together with the Right of protecting the City of Dantzick, on Condition that he should guarantee to the Electoral House of Saxony the Succession to the Crown of Poland for ever; with that proviso, That the King of Poland shall not be at the same time Elector of Saxony.

From the London Evening Post, June 8.

*Hague, June 11.* All our Letters from Berlin are at a loss for Words to express th' Tokens of Friendship and Confidence that pass between their Polish and Prussian Majesties, who amidst all their Pleasures and Diversions, are not unmindful of weighty Affairs; at the same time 'tis doubtful, whether this uncommon Intimacy between these 2 Princes, will promote or retard the Conclusion of their favourite Affair, to wit, The Elevation of the Electoral Prince of Saxony to the Throne of Poland: So great is th' Umbrage already taken by the Grandees of Poland, on the Renewal of Friendship between these two Crowns.

*Moscow, May 16.* It will be yet two Months longer, before the Court sets out from hence to return to Petersburg.

*Copenhagen, June 5.* M. Schested, the King's Plenipotentiary Minister, set out Yesterday to go to Solfons.

From the Whitehall Evening-Post, June 8.

*London, June 8.* On Tuesday Mr. Pantons Black Osmen won the King's Plate of 100 Guineas at Lincoln Races.

His Majesty's Plate of 100 Guineas Value was run for on Tuesday last at Ipswich, and won by the Lord Millington's Batt.

His Majesty designs to take the Diversion of hunting in Windsor Forest in the Month of August.

Prices of Goods at Bear Key Yesterday.

Wheat, 38 to 42 sh. Rye, 26 to 28 sh. Barley, 24 to 26 sh. Oats, 11 to 16. Hog Pease, 18 to 23. Horse Beans, 18 to 23. Pease, 24 to 26. Pale Malt, 29 to 34. Brown Malt, 27 to 29. 6 d. Tares, 15 to 18, all per Quarter.

Coals, 23 to 24. per Chaldron. Old Hops, 25 to 35 sh. New Hops, 40 to 60 sh. per Hundred. Rape-seed, 14 to 15 l. per Last.

From Mist's Weekly Journal, June 8.

A Pardon is ordered for Mr. Wogan, a Gentleman.



man concerned in the Business at Preston, and another for Mr. Stirling a Scots Gentleman.

From Norwich, That they have carried the Scrutiny for a Loyal Mayor of that City.

From Honiton we hear, That Sir Will. Young was expected there, with the Writ and something else in his Pocket, expecting to be re-elected for that Place; so we expect the Expectations will be answered on all Sides.

Several Officers of the Customs are suspended, only for taking Care of their Families, and making the most of their Places. And great Discoveries are said to be made against some Persons of Wealth and Figure in the City about Frauds in the Customs: However, there is no great Matter of News in it, for they all happen to be of that Party, as are famous for Loving the publick----- Money.

From Dublin they write, That since the Retreat of the Court and Parliament, Provisions grow plenty, but the Money scarce: so that the Poor are just where they were.

*From the London Evening-Post. June 8.*

*Vienna, May 29.* The Emperor came the 27th hither, and this Monarch being retired to his Apartment had a long Conference with Prince Eugene upon the Dispatches brought the Day before from France, by an Express sent by Baron Bentenrider; as also upon the Affair of Zwingenberg, whereof the Commissioners have transmitted hither an ample and exact Account; but in all likelihood no hasty Resolution will be taken therein, seeing the Elector Palatine is continually soliciting his Imperial Majesty, both by his Letters and Ministers, to have that Affair instantly laid before the Commission of the Court, or revised by the Aulick Council of the Empire, wherein he is strongly seconded by the Elector of Bavaria. 'Tis said both their Imperial Majesties have resolved to set out the 4th of June for Margenzel in Syria, to obtain from Heaven a Male Successor, through the Intercession of the Blessed Virgin, whose Miraculous Image is placed in the Church of that Town; and this upon Symptoms of the Empress's being with Child, for which Reason she will be carried thither in a Litter; after which their Majesties will come to reside at the Favourita. The Emperor's Departure for Gratz is put off to the 20th of the same Month, and 970 Persons will follow the Court thither. The

Emperor at receiving the Homage at Gratz and other Places, will give the Golden Key to 40 or 50 Noblemen of that Country.

The Propositions to be made in the Diet of Hungary, turn upon the three following Points.

1. The Contributions that Kingdom is to pay for the future.

2. The Reform of the Laws of that Country, which begun in the late Diet.

3. The taking an Account of all the Estates and Revenues, both Ecclesiastical and Civil.

'Tis doubted whether the first Point can be settled before the two others are agreed upon; the last whereof does not please most of the Grandees, who purchased great Estates of the Commoners, which must be comprehended in that General Account. There was a Report that the Emperor would make a Reduction of his new raised Troops; but this will hardly be done, till it is seen what Turn the Affairs will take at the Congress, as well as those which are depending between the Turks and Muscovites.

*Hague, June 2.* They write from Brussels, That the Count de Callemburg, who is the *Primum mobile* of the Ostend Company, persists in the Opinion, that the East India Trade ought to be carried on from Trieste, during the seven Years Suspension of it at Ostend, and that even in Case they should lose by every Ship's Cargo that should arrive; otherways, says he you must be at the Expence of shutting up all your Factories, and dismiss your Factors to shift, and perhaps starve. We long to know what Resolution the Directors will take in this critical Juncture. Mean Time we understand they have paid off the Crews of their five Ships last returned, who complain of the severe Usage they met with at last, in Relation to the little Pacquets of Goods they collected in the Country for their own Use, but of which the Company stript them very clean.

*London, June 8.* On Thursday last began, by order of the Commissioners of the Navy, at the Pay-office in Breadstreet, the clearing off such of his Majesty's Ships of War as were not paid when the Ships returned from the Streights, at which Time none were paid but the Men, their Wives or Widows bringing with them their proper Certificate.

*From the Country Journal, June 8.*

Letters from Hanover assure us, That Preparations are actually making there for his Royal Highness Prince Frederick's Journey to Great Britain.

*Wye's Letter, verbatim, London, June 11.*

*Since our last arrived the Mails from Holland and France.*

**T**HE Grand Discourse in all Conversations is upon the Congress at Soissons, which, 'tis hoped, will be of no long Duration; the Articles of Preliminaries enjoin the respective Plenipotentiaries not to observe any Ceremonials, but to keep to the same Regulations that were observed in the late Congress at Cambray, and likewise to avoid all Obstructions or Embarrassments, which might in any Manner protract or Disturb the Congress. Mean time some here pretend that the Congress will run high with respect to certain Affairs that are to be discussed in the said Congress.

The Advices from Stockholm by the Holland Mail relate, That Baron Dieskau, Minister of the King of Great Britain, had signified to his Swedish Majesty in a late Audience, That the utmost Care would be taken in the ensuing Congress, to put Peace and Commerce in the North on a good Footing, and set Bounds to a certain Maritime Power.

The Advices by the French Mail make no mention of the Congress being opened; but 'tis the general Expectation that the next Mail will give an Account thereof. Mean while the South Sea Company, whose Stock continues at 106 1/4th, have renewed the Trade with Spain touching the Sale of Negroes to work in the Mines.

We are told that the Essex, which is arrived in the River, and left the Capes of Virginia the 25th of April last, brings Advice, That some Spanish Privateers appearing on the Coast of Virginia, the Governour laid an Embargo on all Ships in that Province, which took Place the 22d of April and was continued to the 20th May.

'Tis said that Henry Worley Esq; Governor of Barbadoes has obtained Leave to return home.

'Tis said that the Honourable Governor Doddington, and Richard Edgecomb Esquires, will be created Knights of the Bath, in Room of the Duke of Richmond and Sir Robert Walpole.

Sir William Young Baronet and Knight of the

Bath, is rechosen Member of Parliament for Honeytown, without Opposition.

They write from Dublin of the 23d Instant, that a Constable having apprehended a Man there with a Judge's Warrant, and finding the Prisoner somewhat Stubborn, shot at him with Fire Arms which he had about him; whereupon some People of the Prisoner's Acquaintance, seized on the Constable, disarm'd him and shot him with his own Pistol.

There was a confus'd piece of work yesterday at the Quakers Meetinghouse in Grace-Church Street, where a great many Brethren being met, as usual at this Festival, from all Parts of the Kingdom, their old Friend Gibson attempted to get in and hold forth among them; but being opposed, and he insisting to be admitted, a great Disturbance happened, which was a good while before it was pacified, and could not be done without the Peace-Officers.

We have had since our last a pretty deal of Rain, particularly this Day it has been without ceasing, which is extremely wanted in the Country, in several Parts whereof the Barley was in a manner all parch'd up with the dry Season.

We hear that Malt is at 35 sh. per Quarter.

On Sunday last a Messenger was dispatched to Paris.

The Fire-works plaid off this Evening before the Royal Exchange, in honour of their Majesties happy Accession to the Crown, representing the Sun and its Rays. The Appearance at Court was very splendid.

'Tis talked that the Prince of Wales will suddenly come over from Hanover. 'Tis said Dr. Yalding will preach the Sermon next Thursday, at St. Sepulchre's, when all the Charity Children of this City, are to have their annual Meeting.

Sir Edmond Bacon, and Collonel Hobbard stand Candidates for the County of Norfolk, in Room of Sir Thomas Coke and Sir John Hobbard, who are made Peers.

*From the London Gazette, June 11.*

*St. James's, June 11.* This being the Anniversary of his Majesty's Accession to the Crown, there was a numerous and splendid Appearance at Court of the Nobility, Foreign Ministers and other Persons of Distinction, to compliment their Majesties



on that happy Occasion: The Guns at the Tower and in the Park were fired, and all publick Demonstrations of Joy were made.

*From the London Evening-Post, June 11.*

*Bologna, May 31.* The Princess Clementine Sobieski, who advances successfully in her Pregnancy, went on Sunday last to the Convent of the Dominicans to make a Visit to her Favourite Mrs. Shelton, with whom she had a Conversation that lasted some Hours. The Princess her Sons are gone to pass a few Days at a Country Seat near this City.

*Paris, June 10.* Our last Letters from Madrid of the 1st Inst. import, That the Prince of Asturias is entirely recovered of the Small Pox, and that he had already dress'd himself several Days; nevertheless, was not to come to the Palace of that City till the 40 Days from the Beginning of his Illness were expired. The Princess of Brazil being likewise recovered of her Tertian Ague, was returned to their Majesties.

*From the Evening Post, June 11.*

*Venice, June 5.* Here is Advice from Constantinople, That it has been resolved in a great Divan, not to come to a War with Russia, tho' the Janizaries are much for it. 'Tis talked that the Party of Esref in Persia decreases visibly, when at the same time that of the young Sophi increases.

*From the Whitehall Evening Post, June 11.*

*Berlin, June 8.* A Courier is arrived here from Vienna, as 'tis said, with the Imperial Ratification of certain Affairs, concerted and settled at Dresden while the King of Prussia was at that Court.

*Edinburgh, June 17.* Thursday last his Majesty's 100 l. Plate was won by a Horse of his Grace the Duke of Hamilton's, on Keith Sands; as was next Day the City Plate, by a Horse of the Rt. Hon. the Lord Somervell.

On Thursday also, the Corpse of the Right Honourable the Earl of Leven was interr'd at the Burial place of the Family.

On Saturday his Grace the Duke of Gordon arrived in Town from the North.

## ADVERTISEMENT S.

¶ The Managers of the Fishing Copartnery have ordered a final Dividend of 5 sh. 11 d. per Pound, of the Sum paid in, to be distributed to the Adventurers, at their Office in the Lawn Market, beginning on Monday the 24th Instant, and thereafter on each Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, from ten to twelve in the Forenoon, or at such further Hours, as shall be advertised, till the 27th of December next, when what of the Dividend that remains, is, conform to an Order of the General Meeting, to be lodged

with the Merchant Maiden Hospital, from which it may be called for.

¶ That, by Authority of the LORDS OF SESSION, the Sum of £. 458, sh. 13 Scots Money, resting by the Tenants of the Lands and Barony of Auchinbowe in the Shire of Aberdeen, as their Rent for Cropt 1726 and Precedings; is to be exposed to public Roup and Sale within the Parliament-house, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 26th Instant, betwixt 3 & 4 after Noon. The Lists of Rents, with the Decrees and other Diligences constituting the same, and the Conditions of Roup, to be seen in the Hands of Thomas Hay, one of the Under-Clerks of Session, at McKenzie's Office in the Parliament Close.

*Stamp-Office, London, June 6. 1728.*

The COMMISSIONERS for managing His Majesty's Stamp-Revenues do hereby give Notice, That by a Clause in an Act of last Session of Parliament, intituled, *An Act for repealing the present Duties on Wine, Lees and Lignum-Vita, &c. it is (inter alia)* Enacted to the Effect following: That for the Relief of all Masters and Mistresses who have omitted to pay His Majesty's Duties of Six Pence in the Pound for every Sum of Fifty Pounds or under, and of Twelve Pence in the Pound for every Sum amounting to more than Fifty Pounds, given, paid, contracted, or agreed for, or any Part thereof, with Clerks, Apprentices or Servants within the respective Times limited by several Acts of Parliament in that Case made, or who have omitted to Insert & Write in Words at length in the Indentures or other Writings containing the Covenants and Agreements relating to such Clerk, Apprentice or Servant, the full Sum or Sums of Money, or any Part thereof, received, or in anywise directly or indirectly given, payed, agreed, or contracted for, with or in relation to such Clerk, Apprentice or Servant, all such Masters and Mistresses are Acquitted and Discharged of and from all Penalties incurred by reason of such Omissions, upon Payment of the said Rates and Duties on or before the 24th Day of June 1728, and tendering the said Indentures or other Writings to be Stamped at the same Time, or at any Time on or before the 29th Day of September 1728.

*Stamp-Office, Edinburgh, June 13th 1728. By Order of VENTRIS COLUMBINE, Head Distributor and Collector of His Majesty's Stamp-Duties in North Britain.*

¶ That the Towns and Lands of North and South KADDELS, and Norne CADDEL and the Lands of Sower, with the Mill, Millands, Multures, Sucken and Sequels, and hail Privileges and Pertinents belonging thereto, lying in Hallkirk Parish and Sheriffdom of Caithness, holden Feu of the Laird of Ulbster, and extending of yearly free Rent to £. 652 8 sh. Scots Money, after Deduction of Feu and Tiend Duties and Ministers Stipends; All sometime pertaining to Richard Murray Merchant in Leith: Are to be exposed to publick voluntary Roup and Sale, by the Trustees for the Creditors of the said Richard Murray, upon Thursday the 4th Day of July next to come, betwixt the Hours of two and four in the Afternoon, within John's Coffeehouse in Edinburgh. And that the Progress of the Writs of the said Lands, Rental, and Conditions of Roup are to be seen in the Hands of Charles Farquharson Writer to the Signet, at his Writing Chamber in the 4th Storey of Gavinlock's Land on the North Side of the Street opposite to the Tolbooth, and another Copy of the Rental and Conditions of Roup is to be seen in the Hands of James Campbell Sheriff Clerk of Caithness, at his Office in Thurso.